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Van used in Lansing Correctional Facility escape located

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Investigators from the Lansing Correctional Facility and local law enforcement authorities this morning located the van believed to have been used in the escape Sunday, February 12, 2006 of 27-year-old John Michael Manard from the Lansing Correctional Facility.

Acting on a tip received Monday February 13, 2006, investigators this morning obtained a search warrant for a storage facility located near Bonner Springs, Kansas approximately ten miles from the Lansing Correctional Facility. Inside the storage facility, officials found the Safe Harbor Prison Dog Program van believed to have been used by John Manard to escape from LCF.

Neither John Manard nor Toby Young were located with the van. The van is currently being processed by the Leavenworth Police Department with the assistance of the Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office.

John M. Manard is described as a white male, 6'2" tall, 190 pounds, with red/auburn hair and hazel eyes. Manard was convicted of Murder in the First Degree, Aggravated Robbery and Criminal Possession of a Firearm in Johnson County District Court and sentenced to a term of Life in prison in April 1997. Manard should be considered to be armed and dangerous.

The Leavenworth County Attorney's Office issued a warrant Monday, February 12, 2006 for the arrest of 48-year-old Toby Young in connection with the escape. The warrant charging Toby Young with Aiding and Abetting Aggravated Escape and Aiding a Felon was issued based upon information developed during the investigation of the escape.

Toby Young is President of the Safe Harbor Prison Dog Program which has operated the Lansing Correctional Facility since August 2004. Toby Young is described as a 48-year old white female, 5'1" tall, 130 lbs. with brown hair and brown eyes. Toby Young had been at the Lansing Correctional Facility Sunday February 12, 2006.

Investigators are now focusing on efforts to identify anyone who may have sold a vehicle to Toby Young within the last 30 days. Anyone who has any information concerning a vehicle which she may have purchased is encouraged to contact local law enforcement authorities or the Lansing Correctional Facility at 913-727-3235.

Secretary of Corrections Roger Werholtz this morning authorized a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the successful apprehension of John Michael Manard.

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